

# LOWER ELKHORN NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

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Roger K. Patterson Director Nebraska Department of Natural Resources 301 Centennial Mall South, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 94676 Lincoln, NE 68509-4676

Dear Mr. Patterson,

I am writing to express the support of the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District for the Nebraska Department of Natural Resource's grant application, "Creating a common framework for Integrating Surface Water Data" to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission's Government Technology Collaboration Fund 2001.

We believe that the statewide development of a standard reference surface water database, based on the model of the National Hydrographic Dataset, will provide an important piece of the common data infrastructure needed for a wide variety of geographic information system applications for us and many others. The development of this database for the Lower Elkhorn Basin will not only provide a valuable dataset for us, but it will also help to lay the foundation for the cooperative development of this dataset statewide.

Additionally, we are pleased to offer a \$3,000 contribution towards the project.

Sincerely,

Stan Staab

General Manager

## STATE OF NEBRASKA



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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August 29, 2001

Roger K. Patterson Director Nebraska Department of Natural Resources 301 Centennial Mall South, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor P.O. Box 94676 Lincoln, NE 68509-4676

Dear Roger,

I am writing to express the support of the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality for the Nebraska Department of Natural Resource's grant application, "Creating a Common Framework for Integrating Surface Water Data" to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission's Government Technology Collaboration Fund 2001.

Our agency believes that the statewide development of a standard reference surface water database, based on the model of the National Hydrographic Dataset (NHD), will provide an important piece of the common data infrastructure needed for a wide variety of GIS applications in our agency and many others. The development of this database for the Lower Elkhorn Basin will not only provide a valuable dataset for a variety of applications related to this particular NRD, but it will also help to lay the foundation for the cooperative development of this dataset statewide.

Sincerely,

Michael J Linde

Director



### United States Department of the Interior

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY Water Resources Division Federal Building, Room 406 100 Centennial Mall North Lincoln, NE 68508

August 21, 2001

Roger Patterson Nebraska Department of Natural Resources P.O. Box 94676 Lincoln, NE 68509-4676

Dear Mr. Patterson:

I am writing to express the support of the U.S. Geological Survey for the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources' grant application "Creating a Common Framework for Integrating Surface Water Data" to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission's Government Technology Collaboration Fund.

Our agency believes that the statewide development of a standard reference surface water database, based on the model of the National Hydrographic Dataset (NHD), will provide an important piece of the common data infrastructure needed for a wide variety of GIS applications in our agency and many others. The development of this database for the Lower Elkhorn Watershed will not only provide a valuable dataset for a variety of applications related to this particular area, but it will also help to lay the foundation for the cooperative development of this dataset statewide.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Joseph

Supervisory Hydrologist

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August 28, 2001

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Dear Roger,

I am writing to express the support of the Conservation and Survey Division for the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources' grant application. "Creating a Common Framework for Integrating Surface Water Data" to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission's Government Technology Collaboration Fund.

We believe that the statewide development of a standard reference surface water database, based on the model of the National Hydrographic Dataset (NHD), will provide an important piece of the common data infrastructure needed for a wide variety of GIS applications for us and many others. The development of this database for the Lower Elkhorn Watershed will provide a valuable dataset for a variety of applications and will also help to lay the foundation for the cooperative development of this dataset statewide.

Sincerely,

Mark Kuzila Director

University of Nebraska-Lincoln University of Nebraska Medical Center University of Nebraska at Omaha University of Nebraska at Kearney



#### Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

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August 22, 2001

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Dear Roger,

We are writing to express our agency's support for the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources' grant application, "Creating a Common Framework for Integrating Surface Water Data" to the Nebraska Information Technology Commission's Government Technology Collaboration Fund.

The development of Nebraska hydrographic data following the standards of the National Hydrographic Dataset (NHD) is essential to providing base data for GIS applications in the state. This dataset would provide a common reference point for hydrographic studies within the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's Fisheries and Wildlife Divisions, as well as our collaborative efforts with other agencies.

We support the development of the Lower Elkhorn Watershed database for our current GIS applications and as a starting point for future efforts to develop a NHD dataset statewide.

Sincerely,

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Director

## State of Nebraska

DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

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August 29, 2001



Mike Johanns Governor

Mr. Larry K. Zink Coordinator Nebraska GIS Steering Committee P.O. Box 95045 Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. Zink:

The Department of Roads has reviewed your request for funds to facilitate the Nebraska Hydrography Dataset (NHD) project.

Your approach to expand the project throughout the State through collaboration seems very appropriate. The project also seems timely, in light of the Department's GIS efforts. I assume that somehow, through coordination, the dataset will be available to your partners. With that understanding, I would commit \$5,000 to this project. Please contact Ken Sieckmeyer, our Transportation Planning Manager, to work out the details.

Best of luck in your project. I look forward to a report of your progress.

John L. Craig

Director

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